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PROFILE AND ROUNDED TOP CORNERS

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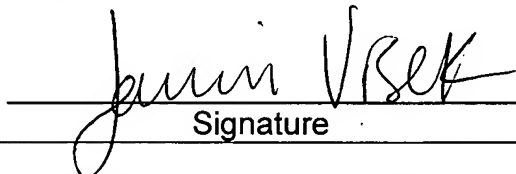
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

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Reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks is requested. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.